Demolition of 'Rail Yatri Niwas' near New Delhi Railway Station

1367. SHRI KAPIL VERMA :
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA :

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMEMT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Municipal Corporation of Delhi have issued a notice to demolish the 'Rail Yatri Niwas' situated near the New Delhi Railway Station, if so, by when this work is likely to be completed;

(b) when the permission to build the 'Rail Yadri Niwas' was obtained and the department which had sought permission to build the Rail Yatri Niwas on this piece of land ; and

(c) the number of other such buildings in Delhi for which permission for the construction has not yet been accorded by the Delhi Municipal Corporation?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI) : (a) the legal notice for demolition has been issued by the Municipal Corporation of Delhi. However the decision to demolish the building has not yet been taken.

(b) Rail Yatri Niwas near New Delhi Railway Station was constructed without obtaining the required permission of the Municipal Corporation of Delhi and the Delhi Urban Arts Commission.

(c) The Municipal Corporation of Delhi has reported that they have noticed cases of 10 buildings which have been constructed in anticipation of sanction of the building plans.

Supply of drinking water in remote Villages of Madhya Pradesh

1368. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that most of the villages in Madhya Pradesh which have not yet been provided with even a single source of safe drinking water are situated in remote and inaccessible areas and inhabitated by Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes ;

(b) whether Central Government have received a request from the Madhya Pradesh Government for financial assistance to procure rigs and other equipment for providing drinking water to such villages;

(c) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto and what steps are being taken by Government in this regard under the Technology Mission on drinking Water ; and

(d) whether Government propose to start any project for drinking water in the tribal areas of Madhya Pradesh with the assistance of International agencies like WHO etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) : (a) 428 problem villages in Madhya Pradesh remained to be provided with safe drinking water facilities as on 1-4-89. Some of them are located in remote and inaccesible areas and inhabitated by SCs/STs. All these residual problem villages are likely to be covered in 1989-90.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Central assistance under the Centrally Sponsored Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) is not given for purchase of rigs/other equipments. However,

under the UNICEF assistance programme, two DH-10(2 truck) rigs have been provided to the State Government of Madhya Pradesh and one more ATR rig is likely to be provided within a month.

(d) No, Sir.

Requirement of aluminium in the country

1369. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER : Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) what is the annual estimated requirement of aluminium in the various sectors of economy in the country ;

(b) what is the comparative domestic production of aluminium during the last three years (year-wise) and what percentage of the demand is met with the indigenous production of aluminium ;

(c) what is the annual import, if any, of aluminium during the last three years (year-wise) stating the amount of foreign exchange invloved and the percentage of domestic-demand met as a result thereof ; and

(d) what are the considerations which weighed with Government to decontrol aluminium when it is in short supply and the domestic price per tonne is Rs. 1200/-more than the controlled price?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES AND THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE) : (a) During 1989-90, the demand of aluminium has been estimated in the range of 390,000 to 420,000 tonnes.

(b) and (c) The total availability of aluminium from 1986-87 to 1988-89 is as under :—

Year	Indigenous production ('000 tonnes)	Imports by MMTC ('000 tonnes/Rs. in crores)	Total availability ('000 tonnes)	%age of indigenous production against total availability
1986-87 . . .	257	65/102	322	80
1987-88 . . .	278	55/130	333	83
1988-89 . . .	357	..	357	100

(d) With increasing domestic production of aluminium metal, control over prices and distribution of aluminium has been removed from 1st March, 1989. Import of aluminium ingots and scrap is already on Open General Licence (OGL). The customs duty on imports of aluminium ingots has been abolished and the customs duty on imports of aluminium scrap has been drastically reduced with a view to cater to any fluctuations in demand.

Central aid to Tamil Nadu for housing for pavement dwellers

1370. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY : SHRI T. R. BALU :

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government had sanctioned any aid/grant/loan to Tamil Nadu for construction of dwelling units for pavement dwellers;

(b) if so, what is the amount an d details of the scheme and also the